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## 2012 LIMITED-FUNDING, QUAHAUG TRANSPLANTS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

- Thursday, May 10, 2012 Mill Cove Wickford
- Tuesday, May 15, 2012 Greenwich Cove

## A TENTATIVE "DIG-AND-DUMP" TRANSPLANT IS SCHEDULED FOR THE FOLLOWING DATE IF SUFFICIENT FUNDING REMAINS:

- Thursday, May 17, 2012 Bristol Harbor
- Shellfishermen will be asked to dump the clams from their own vessel into the Bristol Transplant Bed.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Maximum allowable harvest per individual will be determined on each respective transplant day based upon the number of participants and funding availability.
- Shellfishermen that assist in dumping the clams into the respective management areas will be paid \$7 per 50 pound bag.
- Shellfishermen that do not assist in dumping the clams will be paid \$5 per 50 pound bag.
- All the shellfish transplants will take place between 8 a.m. and noon.
- Shellfishermen wishing to take part in the transplants should report to the on-scene DEM Enforcement patrol boat by 8 a.m. on the day of the transplants. The officers will collect licenses to facilitate accounting.
- Transplanted shellfish will be unavailable for harvest until December 2012.
- Allen Harbor damage monies have been exhausted as of 2010.